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1. AT 2000 HOURS ON JUNE 16, NOVA SCOTIA LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY RESUMED SESSION FOLLOWING RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE FOR GOVERNOR GENERAL WHICH ATTENDED BY MEMBERS OF LEGISLATURE. SESSION WAS OSTENSIBLY INTENDED TO CONTINUE DEBATE ON LEGISLATION CONCERNING NURSES STRIKE. HOWEVER, ACTING PREMIER, PETER NICHOLSON, DECIDED TO TAKE UP OTHER UNRELATED MATTERS.

2. ON JUNE 17 DURING COURSE OF EARLY MORNING RADIO INTERVIEW ON LOCAL CBC STATION, MINISTER OF LABOR, WALTER FITZGERALD, SAID THAT HE THOUGHT GOVERNMENT HAD HANDLED WHOLE MATTER OF NURSES STRIKE VERY BADLY. HE INDICATED THAT, HAVING INTRODUCED THE LEGISLATION TO FORCE THE NURSES TO GO TO BINDING ARBITRATION ON JUNE 13, THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD NOT HAVE BACKED OFF AND TAKEN ITS PRESENT DILATORY ATTITUDE. HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN APPROACHED AFTER JUNE 16 SESSION BY ANGRY NURSES IN THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING WHO ASKED HIM WHY
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THE MEMBERS GOT DRUNK AND COULD NOT GO ON WITH CON-

SIDERING THEIR PROBLEM.)THIS REFERRED TO ATTENDANCE
MENTIONED ABOVE AT RECEPTION AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE FROM
WHICH SOME MEMBERS ALLEGEDLY CAME AWAY SOMEWHAT THE
WORSE FOR WEAR.) MINISTER FITZGERALD CONSIDERED
MEMBERS CONDUCT DEPLORABLE.

3. PREMIER REGAN, ATTENDING NEW ENGLAND GOVERNORS
AND PROVINCIAL PREMIERS CONFERENCE IN ST ANDREW'S
NEW BRUNSWICK, ISSUED STATEMENT JUNE 17 THAT IT WAS HIS
DECISION TO HAVE FULL DEBATE OR LEGISLATION ON NURSES
STRIKE AND NOT TO RAM IT THROUGH LEGISLATURE.

4. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY RECONVENED ON THE AFTERNOON
JUNE 17 IN CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER THE ALLEGATIONS
ABOUT MEMBERS DRUNKENESS. THEY ARE THEN SCHEDULED
TO RETURN TO CLAUSE BY CLAUSE CONSIDERATION OF THE
LEGISLATION TO DEAL WITH THE NURSES STRIKE. NO
END YET IN SIGHT.
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